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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated June 8, 2006, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-8 and 10-12), defined by the Examiner as being drawn to isolated nucleic acid comprising SEQ ID NO: 1 and fragments thereof; complement of SEQ ID NO:1 and fragments thereof; nucleic acid that encodes SEQ ID NO:2; nucleic acids and probes that hybridize thereto under high stringency conditions; vectors or plasmids that comprise said nucleic acids; and host cells comprising said nucleic acids, are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions.

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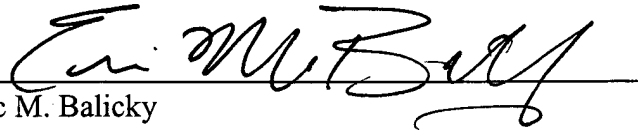
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